

Remarks

The specification has been amended to cross-reference parent U.S. Application No. 09/418,309 filed October 14, 1999. Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 28-36 and 40-46 are pending in the application, with claims 28, 40, and 41 being the independent claims. Claims 1-27, 37-39, and 47-51 are cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. These changes are not believed to introduce new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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Version with markings to show changes made

Marked-up version of claim 36:

36. (once amended) An ink jet printer, wherein the ink jet recording head according to [either] Claim 34 [or 35] is provided as an ink discharge means.

Marked-up version of claim 45:

45. (once amended) An ink jet recording head, wherein the electromechanical transducer according to [any of] Claim[s] 40 [to] or [44] 41 is provided as an actuator over the diaphragm film which is said surface where the transducer is installed.